

House File 577 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 154)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for a waiver of undergraduate tuition and
2 mandatory fees and a stipend at regents institutions for
3 Iowa residents who receive the maximum score on certain
4 standardized tests.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 262.9, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
2 following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 39. Direct the institutions of higher
4 learning governed by the board to waive undergraduate tuition and
5 mandatory fees for a resident of Iowa who receives the maximum
6 score possible on the college readiness assessment administered
7 by ACT, inc., the college readiness assessment administered by
8 the college board, or the classic learning test developed by
9 classic learning initiatives and to provide the student with a
10 stipend of five thousand dollars per semester. The board may
11 require that documentation of the score be provided in order
12 to qualify for such a waiver and stipend. A student must make
13 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation in order to
14 continue to receive such a waiver and stipend. The board may
15 establish standards for such progress.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill requires regents institutions to waive undergraduate
20 tuition and mandatory fees for a resident of Iowa who receives
21 the maximum score possible on the college readiness assessment
22 administered by ACT, inc., the college readiness assessment
23 administered by the college board, or the classical learning
24 test developed by classic learning initiatives and to provide
25 the student with a stipend of \$5,000 per semester. The board
26 may require that documentation of the score be provided in order
27 to qualify for such a waiver and stipend. A student must make
28 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation in order to
29 continue to receive such a waiver and stipend.